

Species of flowering plant

Chanca piedra Scientific classification Kingdom: Plantae Clade: Tracheophytes
Clade: Angiosperms Clade: Eudicots Clade: Rosids Order: Malpighiales Family:
Phyllanthaceae Genus: Phyllanthus Species: P. niruri Binomial name Phyllanthus
niruri

L. Synonyms[1] Diasperus chlorophaeus (Baill.) Kuntze

Diasperus lathyroides (Kunth) Kuntze

Diasperus microphyllus (Mart.) Kuntze

Diasperus niruri (L.) Kuntze

Diasperus rosellus (Müll.Arg.) Kuntze

Niruris annua Raf.

Niruris indica Raf.

Nymphanthus niruri (L.) Lour.

Phyllanthus carolinianus Blanco

Phyllanthus chlorophaeus Baill.

Phyllanthus ellipticus Buckley nom. illeg.

nom. illeg. Phyllanthus erectus (Medik.) M.R.Almeida

Phyllanthus filiformis Pav. ex Baill.

Phyllanthus humilis Salisb.

Phyllanthus kirganelia Blanco

Phyllanthus lathyroides Kunth

Phyllanthus microphyllus Mart. nom. illeg.

nom. illeg. Phyllanthus mimosoides Lodd. nom. illeg.

nom. illeg. Phyllanthus moeroris Oken

Phyllanthus parvifolius Steud.

Phyllanthus purpurascens Kunth

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Phyllanthus rosellus (Müll.Arg.) Müll.Arg.

Phyllanthus williamsii Standl.

Urinaria erecta Medik.

Phyllanthus niruri is a widespread tropical plant commonly found in coastal areas, known by the common names gale of the wind, stonebreaker or seed-under-leaf. It is in the genus *Phyllanthus* of the family *Phyllanthaceae*.

Description [edit]

Phyllanthus niruri

It grows 50–70 cm (20–28 in) tall and bears ascending herbaceous branches. The bark is smooth and light green. It bears numerous pale green flowers which are often flushed with red. The fruits are tiny, smooth capsules containing seeds.

Traditional medicine [edit]

Phyllanthus niruri has been used in traditional medicine for treating various illnesses such as urinary stones.[2]

Phytochemicals [edit]

Lignans, flavonoids, triterpenes, sterols, alkaloids, and essential oils are found in this plant.[2]

Research [edit]

A 2011 Cochrane review found that there is "no convincing evidence that *phyllanthus*, compared with placebo, benefits patients with chronic HBV (hepatitis B virus) infection." [3]

Gallery [edit]

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Niruri fruit

Niruri proliferation

Reference

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